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(54) **EMULATION SYSTEM WITH MULTIPLE ASYNCHRONOUS CLOCKS**

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(57) **ABSTRACT**

An emulation system includes a clock generation logic for generating multiple asynchronous clocks, where each generated clock's relative phase relationship with respect to all other generated clocks is strictly controlled to speed up the emulation logic evaluation. Unlike statically designed emulator systems known in the prior art, the speed of the logic evaluation in the emulator need not be slowed down to the worst possible evaluation time since the clocking is generated internally in the emulator and carefully controlled. The emulation system does not concern itself with the absolute time duration of each clock, because only the phase relationship among the multiple asynchronous clocks is important. By retaining the phase relationship (and the initial values) among the multiple asynchronous clocks, the speed of the logic evaluation in the emulator can be increased. The RCC clock generation logic comprises a clock generation scheduler and a set of clock generation slices, where each clock generation slice generates a clock. The clock generation scheduler compares each clock's next toggle point from the current time, toggles the clock associated with the winning next toggle point, determines the new current time, updates the next toggle point information for all of the clock generation slices, and performs the comparison again in the next evaluation cycle. In the update phase, the winning slice updates its register with a new next toggle point, while the losing slices merely updates their respective registers by adjusting for the new current time.

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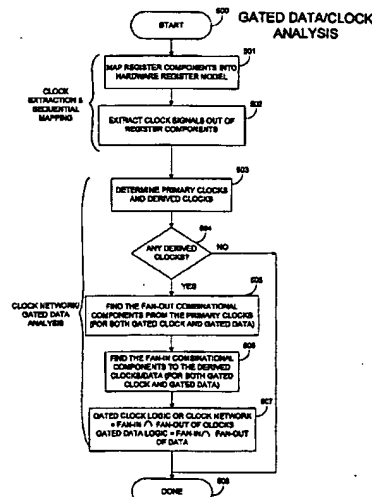
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[54] **CIRCUIT LEVEL NETLIST GENERATION**

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[57] **ABSTRACT**

A design layout sequence for an application specific integrated circuit such as a gate array includes a schematic capture step, which results in a logic netlist file, and a placement and routing step which results in a number of various files defining, for example, bias drivers, I/O macros, and relationships between chip pads and I/O signals. The design layout sequence culminates in a physical data base file. The connectivity of this physical data base file is checked by first generating a circuit level netlist file for the entire option, and then comparing the circuit level netlist with the physical data base file. In generating the circuit level netlist file, information is obtained from the logic netlist file, as well as from some of the other files created in the design-layout sequence. In addition, basic information from which the circuit level netlist is constructed is obtained from a skeleton file library and a subcircuit library. The contents and methodology for deriving the skeleton file library and the subcircuit library are discussed.

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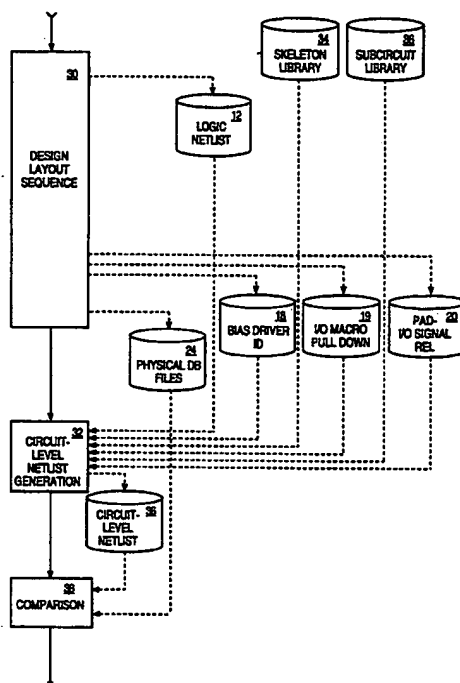
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TITLE: Method and apparatus for simulating large, hierarchical microelectronic resistor circuits

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TITLE: High-frequency traveling wave field-effect transistor

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TITLE: High-frequency traveling wave field-effect transistor

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TITLE: Measurement-based system for modeling and simulation of active semiconductor
devices over an extended operating frequency range

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TITLE: Simulation of an electronic system including analog and digital circuitry
using high level macro models

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by a moving array using end emitting current electrodes sequentially activated and
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behavior of a multiport device having balanced device ports

PUBLICATION-DATE: October 23, 2003

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TITLE: Circuit simulation

PUBLICATION-DATE: December 5, 2002

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semiconductor device, and storage medium storing program for analyzing
semiconductor device

PUBLICATION-DATE: October 11, 2001

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TITLE: Characterizing multi-port cascaded networks

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TITLE: High frequency field effect transistor

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TITLE: Electrical power network modelling method

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TITLE: Method and apparatus for generation a system component model and for
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US-PAT-NO: 5777475
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TITLE: Automatic impedance adapter for a H.F. emitter or receiver in a nuclear spin
tomography installation and process for operating the device

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